HOUSE BILL 1778

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 5, relative to emergency medical services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-503(b)(5), is amended by deleting such subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(5) One (1) operator of an ambulance service primarily responsible for providing emergency medical service for a municipality or metropolitan government having a population of five hundred thousand (500,000) or more based upon the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, who shall be from a list of nominees presented by the Tennessee Ambulance Services Association;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-503(b)(7), is amended by deleting such subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(7) Two (2) members who shall be from a list of nominees presented by the Tennessee Professional Firefighters Association, each of whom shall maintain certification as an EMT-P and be actively involved as a primary emergency medical care provider; one (1) member shall be from a service serving a county, municipal, metropolitan government, or other political subdivision having a population of less than five hundred thousand (500,000) based upon the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, and one (1) member shall be from a service serving a municipality or metropolitan government having a population of six hundred fifty hundred thousand (650,000) or more based upon the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 3. To effectuate the purposes of this act, the membership of the sitting members serving on the emergency medical services board pursuant to § 68-140-503 (b)(5)

and (b)(7), shall be terminated on the effective date of this act, and new members shall be appointed to serve the remainder of their terms in accordance with the qualifications established by this act; however, any such member may be reappointed to the board, provided such member meets the qualifications for membership established by this act.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

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